

Application No. 09/467,851
Amendment "F" dated July 20, 2006
Reply to Office Action mailed July 3, 2006

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REMARKS

The Non-Final Office Action dated July 3, 2006, considered and rejected claims 1-41. However, claims 40-41 were only objected to because of minor informalities which have been fixed by the amendments to claims 40-41¹ and the only other rejections of record correspond to provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejections based on U.S. Patent Application No. 10/893518. To overcome the provisional rejections to the claims, Applicants have filed a terminal disclaimer with this response corresponding to U.S. Patent Application No. 10/893518.²

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the rejections to the claims are now moot and such that the application is now in condition for prompt allowance. In the event that the Examiner finds remaining impediment to a prompt allowance of this application that may be clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Dated this 20th day of July, 2006.

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¹ In particular, the term "method" has been replaced with the term "system" in claims 40-41.

² As requested by the Examiner, a terminal disclaimer will also be filed in the prosecution of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/893518 corresponding to U.S. Patent No. 6,668,378 and 6,460,180.